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After man apprises BBMP of alleged building by-law violation, civic body serves notice to demolish 'whistleblowers's' own home

RAZING THE BAR

'Construction of high-rise ongoing for six months'

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As is the precedent, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has to appreciate or reward whistleblowers of building by-law violations.

However, in the following instance, the civic body, instead of rewarding a purported whistleblower, decided to demolish his dream home for complaining against his neighbour who, according to the whistleblower, violated building by-laws.

PM Basavarajan, a retired senior non-commissioned officer of the Indian Air Force, has been residing along the Karumariyamma Temple Road, Whitefield, in the ambit of the Hagadur ward of Mahadevapura Assembly constituency since 1973.

Basavarajan's father PA Mahadevan availed a building plan from the then Whitefield Group Village Panchayat engineer to construct a building. Mahadevan constructed the ground floor in 1973 and son Basavarajan added two floors to the structure in 2005.

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"We have issued demolition notices as per norms. They complained against each other violating building by-laws — Muni Reddy, executive engineer, BBMP

Suvidha Cabins not ready

In January, BBMP announced 221 restrooms for pourakarmikas within six months

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Five months have passed after the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) announced a proposal to set up 221 Suvidha cabins for the city's pourakarmikas.

Just 68 cabins have been constructed so far, BM has found out. The completed ones are not in use as BBMP officials are waiting for the inauguration of the cabins.

In January this year, BBMP's solid waste management department announced the construction of 221 Suvidha Cabins across the city over a period of six months.

Even after five months, the BBMP is yet to construct the remaining 153 cabins. Palike had received a government proposal to construct the 221 cabins at the cost of Rs 18.31 crore.

Initially, the civic body had envisioned the Suvidha Cabins in 2019 but it failed to take off. Later, in 2022, the first Suvidha Cabin was installed in the Malleswaram assembly constituency on a trial basis.

For the 18,000 plus pourakarmikas in the city, Suvidha Cabins are a huge reprieve. Without any dedicated facility, they eat on roads and have to depend on public toilets. Each Suvidha Cabin has two toilets for men and women, a changing room, a feeding

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Lock the box

Bookchor, an online bookstore for pre-owned books, is hosting 'LockTheBox Reloaded,' a one-of-a-kind book sale in which you don't have to pay for individual books; instead, you pay for a box and take home as many books as you can fit into the box. The event will have over 10 lakh books to choose from across genres such as fiction, non-fiction, crime, romance, books for young adults and children, adventure, science fiction, and much more. Bibliophiles can choose from three different sizes of boxes named after Greek mythology heroes: The Odysseus box, Perseus Box, and the biggest and the mightiest, the Hercules box. **Where: Shubh Convention, JP Nagar; When: Till July 3, 9 am – 10 pm Contact: 8683811218**

02 Love and more

P Gnana, a renowned artist from Singapore is presenting his first solo show. The theme is "Unconditional Love" and has paintings and installation art by the artist. Of all the emotions and passions that inspire art, love is by far the strongest one. Gnana's artworks deploys a visual narrative of whimsically stylised imagery of human figures within the universal concept of love.
Where: Art Houz, Vasanth Nagar
When: Till June 30, 10.30 am to 6.30 pm
Contact: 0886112400

03 Aadhe Adhure

Check out a thought-provoking play 'Aadhe Adhure' by Kathputliyan Theatre Group (KTG) and written by late Mr Mohan Rakesh, almost five decades ago. The play has been adapted from the original script into the current context by Zafer Mohiuddin because the nature of relationships remains the same no matter the changing times. The play Aadhe Adhure deals with dysfunctional families in urban India, which is very relevant to the current times where we have been in more contact with our families than ever before. **Where: Alliance Francaise, Vasanth Nagar; When: June 26, 4.30 pm and 7 pm Tickets: 8792413747/ 9148233865**

FUTURE IS CYCLICAL

Bengalureans to hold a cyclathon to promote traffic rule awareness, along with eco-friendly commuting and spread awareness of drug abuse

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In an effort to encourage people to use environment-friendly transport like cycling, a cycle rally is going to be held today on the occasion of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (June 26). This comes at a time when cyclists are suffering accidents due to callous motorists entering their cycle lanes, roads riddled with potholes, and lack of action by authorities.

The rally will start from Yelachenahalli Metro Station and end at KSSEM College, Kanakapura Road.

It is being organised by Changemakers of Kanakpura Road (CMKR), a consortium of 80+ RWAs on Kanakapura Road, and SMITAM, a not-for-profit aimed at child welfare and women empowerment. Almost 500 people are expected to participate in this rally.

The cyclists are distressed for they say that they are trying their bit to reduce pollution by using cycles which are environment friendly. However, no effort is being made to ensure their safety.

"We will hold the rally from 6 am to 9 am. We are expecting as many as 500 people; I think it will be an eventful day. We will also be giving off a free cycle to one participant in the rally," said Abdul Aleem, one of the organisers. Santhosh, another organiser, hoped that more people attended the event to be aware of traffic rules.

Meghana Murthy, President of SMITAM, said, "Bengaluru has a lot of traffic and pollution and to reduce that, we have pledged to hold a cyclathon at least once a month to encourage people. We felt that this was a good idea on The International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking."

Arvind Dwarkanath, bicycle counsellor, Malleswaram, said that the number of cyclists had risen due to people taking sustainable commuting seriously. "As a result, accidents have also increased. While the city's infrastructure is slowly changing and baby steps are being taken such as DULT creating dedicated bicycle lanes. But there are rampant violations on these lanes, especially on Outer Ring Road where a lot of motorcyclists and delivery boys who enter the lanes. The police do not do anything about it."

The rally will start from Yelachenahalli Metro Station till KSSEM College, Kanakapura Road

> **"There are rampant violations in the cycle lanes and cops do not do anything about it** – Arvind Dwarkanath, Bicycle Counsellor, Malleswaram

There are laws which says that motorists using cycle lanes would be fined. However, no such action is being taken by the police, he added. There have been efforts where the cyclists have tried to educate the motorists about the cycle lanes, but in vain.

He narrated an incident where a cyclist was cycling early in the morning in Yelahanka when a motorist hit the handle of the bicycle. The cyclist fell and injured himself. He is currently in a critical condition and admitted to the ICU in the hospital.

The motorist who caused this damage, fled without even stopping to see if the cyclist was all right. "What is worse is that the cyclist's wife tried to file an FIR at the Yelahanka Police Station, but the police refused to file it," added Arvind.

This is not the first instance of cyclists using their humble commute to promote a cause.

A citizen, Samrat, embarked on a 7,000-kilometre cycle yatra to show his support to the Save Soil movement which was started by Sadhguru.

Till now, he has passed India Gate, Alwar, Jaipur, Udaipur, Palanpur, Banaskatha, Jamnagar, Dwarika, Porbandar, Ahmedabad, Surat, Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Chennai, Puducherry, Kanyakumari, Kollam, Kochi, Coimbatore and Mysuru.

The cyclist will be heading towards Bengaluru and then towards Panjim for the last leg of his journey.

The virtual reality of climate crisis

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A research study conducted by a Bengalurean, Shravan Regret Iyer, who is currently pursuing a PhD in Communications, Information and Media at the Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, USA, has provided a theoretical understanding of the role Virtual Reality (VR) plays in highlighting global climate crisis. It also provides practical implications for use of VR in climate change storytelling and reporting.

The study's findings highlight the need for media producers to include a full VR experience with multisensory qualities in climate change storytelling so that users can experience the climate change phenomenon virtually and understand the gravity of the global climate change crisis from multiple angles.

It explored nine different VR media productions covering climate change available on the Oculus TV, a VR application.

"A growing body of research highlights how experiential media technologies like virtual reality have the potential to become a medium for education about climate change issues. VR can help improve knowledge, self-efficacy, interest in science, and intentions to engage in climate action and pro-environmental behaviour. The body of research also highlights how scholars argue that there is no longer time to discuss the potential of VR but instead, focus on how to scale its uses effectively and responsibly," said Iyer.

Iyer's findings from a thematic analysis reveal there are five broad areas related to climate change which virtual reality productions on Oculus TV highlighted: global warming, biodiversity and endangered species, culture and traditions, conservation and disaster management and agriculture.

"My thematic analysis showed that the VR media productions utilised limited framing and contextualisation of the issues pertaining to climate change and offers a framework to help people understand the gravity of the problem caused by climate change," Iyer said.

This is not the first study Iyer has done on virtual reality. In a previous paper, he and his professor at the Rutgers had proposed that virtual reality can be traced back to the Victorian era.

SPIKE IN COVID AMONG KIDS

Avoid travel and crowded gathering with kids, advise experts

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With covid cases rising in the city and schools holding offline classes, paediatricians are seeing an increase in covid cases among kids. Of 776 cases reported in the city, 23 were in the age group of 0-9 years and 65 in the 10-19 years age group. However, most of the cases are mild so far.

There has been a steady rise in children with fever after school reopening, says Dr Rakshay Shetty of Rainbow Children's Hospital.

"A few have tested positive for covid. Generally, most have a fever and sore throat as a presenting complaint. As with previous variants, it's been a self-limiting illness and admission to the hospital is rare. General safety measures like teaching children how to mask up; using sanitiser will go a long way in preventing these cases. It's important to send a spare mask to children too in case they lose one," he said.

Dr Krishna Prasad JR, consultant paediatrician, Motherhood Hospital, said that almost 60-70 per cent of the kids are asymptomatic. "As schools have reopened, we are also seeing an uptick in cases of viral pharyngitis-throat infection in kids."

Symptoms

The common symptoms seen are cold, mild cough, fever and body pain. These will vary according to the severity of the infection. In the more severe cases, symptoms will include high-grade fever, breathlessness, rashes and loose stools in which case, testing is advised.

Government school children get vaccinated against covid in Bengaluru (file photo)

Paediatricians say Corbevax and Covaxin have received emergency approval for children younger than 12 years. However, vaccination drives are yet to start for them. The vaccines available are:

- For 5- to 12-year-old kids: Corbevax (2 doses at an interval of 28 days)
- For 6- to 12-year-old kids: Covaxin (2 doses at an interval of 28 days)
- For children older than 12 years: ZyCoV-D (2 doses at intervals of 28 days)
- For children older than 12 years: Covovax (2 doses at intervals of 21 days)

Dr Prasad also advised maintaining social distance in schools and said, "It is tough to maintain distance in schools yet this is the new reality. When distancing is not feasible, enforcing masks will help. Hygiene measures like routine surface cleaning, having sanitisers in classrooms, and teaching students about hand washing techniques can go a long way. Schools can also avoid crowding; stagger the availability of communal-use areas. Organise the movements of staff and students by dividing them into groups. Following covid appropriate behaviour is recommended to prevent infections. Any child showing symptoms of infection should be excused from school."

Dr Nitin Nayak M, paediatric Nephrologist at NU Hospital said children are certainly the 'at risk' group since most of them are not vaccinated. "There is no cause for panic. After the pandemic has raged for nearly two and a half years, most of our population (children included) has considerable herd immunity against covid. This will protect them to a large extent," he said. He also advised to avoid travel, keep children away from crowded environments including social gatherings, and encourage children above four years to wear mask while at school or outdoors.

"Covid vaccination drives for children must be strengthened. Shutting schools at this stage wouldn't be the right step, given that the pandemic has already thrown children's education out of gear over the past two years. What is also important is to ensure that regular paediatric vaccinations aren't missed. It is also important to appropriately treat common paediatric illnesses such as acute gastroenteritis, seasonal influenza and dengue, cases of which have also seen a rise during summer," he added.

Hospitalisations

The number of hospitalisations in adults is slightly rising in the city. Around 69 patients (adults) are now in hospitals and 10 of them are in ICU. However, Dr Ambanna Gowda, Senior Consultant Physician and Diabetologist, Sparsh Hospital said, "As of now, no dedicated covid wards have been allotted in hospitals. We are seeing covid symptomatic cases on an OPD basis in the dedicated emergency room of the hospital."

Find land for burial grounds, dept orders

The Revenue Department has given orders to officers to find land for burial grounds in 1,428 villages in the state to escape the wrath of the High Court. The High Court has warned that contempt proceedings will be initiated against the Principle Secretary of the Department for failing to provide land. Bengaluru resident Mohammad Iqbal had filed a petition in this regard with the High Court. The division bench headed by Justice B Veerappa has issued a stern warning on the issue.

According to Revenue Department statistics, there are 29,076 villages in the state. Among them the burial ground land has been allotted in 27,648 villages and 299 towns. The land has to be given in 1,428 villages and a town in Shivamogga district. —PTI

4 drown at sea during college trip to Kumta

A college trip turned into a disaster for city students when four students drowned at Kumta beach in Uttara Kannada district on Saturday night. Around 80 students from the city were touring Karwar in two buses. They were staying at a resort in Kumta. While they were in the Arabian sea, four of them were washed away by tides. Police said that two bodies have been fished out from the sea while a search was on for two more bodies.

Tree alarm will go off

e-safety devices to prevent illegal felling

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The IoT-based smart sensor developed by the Institute of Wood Science and Technology (IWST) to prevent the illegal felling of valuable trees is garnering attention. As per the IT cell of IWST, many forest departments across the country and individual farmers have placed orders for these smart sensors.

V Soundararajan, scientist, IT Cell, IWST said, "We have a request of over one lakh microchips from the Shimla Forest Department to protect deodar trees from illegal felling. We have demonstrated the functionalities and they have placed an order for one lakh microchips. Shimla experiences extreme weather conditions and thus they wanted to test the viability of the device. We are also in talks with Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka Forest Departments for installation of the device in their areas."

The sensors have been developed to ensure timely detection and prevention of illegal felling of valuable trees such as rosewood and red sanders. According to Soundararajan,

> **"In case of any disturbance such as a tree felling, the sensor picks up the vibration**

the technology was developed after looking at huge losses that the farmers incurred due to illegal tree felling across the country.

The e-safety device works by analyzing disturbance to the tree and sounds an alarm on mobile phones of concerned authorities through an application. The device is installed on the tree by removing a portion of the bark. The microchip can communicate to a gateway, which then intimates the farmer through the app within 10 to 15 seconds of the disturbance.

"Areas under such plantations are huge and it is difficult for forest officials or farmers to keep an eye on every tree all the time. The application can be downloaded on multiple smartphone devices. In case of a disturbance such as a tree felling, the sensor picks up the vibration and triggers an alarm," informed Soundararajan.

The device, consisting of a microchip, can also be put inside an artificial bark made up of wood plastic composite to camouflage natural bark to ensure the device is not detectable from a distance.

Currently, IWST scientists are working on making the sensor more portable and economically viable.

"In the first phase of development, the microchip was 6.5 cm long, which was reduced to 5 cm in the second phase. We are also working on the range of these sensors. While currently, they can communicate with the gateway within a 5-km range, the idea is to keep improving the range to avoid installation of multiple gateways for bigger farms or forest land," said Soundararajan.

IWST has now reached out to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEF&CC) for funds to install a server at its campus. "We want to install the server at IWST's data centre to avoid any snag," he said.

From flyover project to garbage dump

Find a new spot to litter? How about under-construction Ejipura Flyover?

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With the BBMP having terminated the contract awarded to Simplex Infrastructure Ltd, and the construction of the Ejipura Flyover being nearly 40 per cent complete, the area has become a hotspot for garbage dumpers.

Last March, the state government cancelled the contract given to Simplex Infrastructure Ltd citing several delays. The Karnataka High Court had also permitted Simplex to file an affidavit promising completion of the flyover by December 31, 2022.

However, the flyover has been lying idle since March with the work halted as the BBMP awaits further Court direction. After spending nearly Rs 75 crores out of the estimated cost of Rs 204 crores, the civic body is not very keen on cancelling the project.

The project being in limbo has led to garbage dumpers treating it like their personal dump yard. Throughout the stretch, one can find domestic waste and construction debris lying around. The 2.5 km long four-lane flyover was expected to come as a big relief to motorists.

Instead, residents of Koramangala say that the zone has just become an eyesore.

"The first deadline for the project was missed four years ago in 2019. The flyover was expected to connect Ejipura to Kendriya Sadan, but was never completed. The barricaded area has become an easy spot for garbage dumping now, " said Vinod Jacob from Namma Bengaluru Foundation.

Work on the Ejipura Flyover is only 40 per cent complete, but has run into one hurdle or other (File pic)

"BBMP will clear waste but the debris will have to be cleared by the contractor. The contractor is responsible for the flyover's current situation
–Parshuram Shinnalakar, BBMP

He added that a quality and safety survey should be conducted for the flyover before resuming work.

"The metal and steel used have seen four monsoons. The strength of the structure needs to be questioned," added Jacob.

A resident of Koramangala and a member of Citizens' Action Forum, Vijayan Menon, said, "While BBMP has gone to court and cancelled the contract, they are not concerned with the state of the flyover. BBMP should make the place liveable until a resolution is reached."

Residents also rue over the project being abandoned despite trees facing the axe.

"Initially for the median, they had axed a couple of trees, but another 67 are slated to be axed on both sides of the road. Some of these are old trees that cannot be transplanted. We are asking BBMP DCF to take back the proposal to fell the trees, but we haven't received any response from them. There is also a rumour that new wings have been added to the flyover design. Residents also conducted a survey to verify if the trees are coming in the way of the flyover, and it was revealed that there was no possible reason for the trees to be axed, " said Avanti Rao, a resident of Koramangala.

Speaking about the status of the project, BBMP Chief Engineer (Central), Lokesh M, said, "We have cancelled the tender and the HC has asked BBMP to speak to the agency. The meeting was conducted and we were willing to renew the contract of the agency if they can complete it within 9 months, but they wanted an additional two months. We will be writing to the Chief Commissioner apprising him of the situation."

BBMP will take action according to the directions of the High Court, he said.

BBMP's Solid Waste Management is of the view that the clearing of the debris will fall under the responsibility of the contractor.

"BBMP will clear domestic waste but the construction debris will have to be cleared by the contractor. The contractor is responsible for the current situation of the flyover" said BBMP SWM Joint Commissioner, Parshuram Shinnalakar.

Not even Modi's visit can fix some city roads

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The railway underbridge in Mysore Road was proposed at least 5-6 years ago. However, residents and commuters complain that the work has been delayed, and that is causing them a lot of problems.

Commuters say that it is on an important road because it is right next to RV Engineering college, and after crossing the underbridge, one comes across Orchid International School. A little ahead of this road, the Pattanagere metro station is also located. Hence, it is used by students, parents, and workers, making it a busy area.

Namitha S, a resident of the area, said, "Crossing this road feels like crossing a mountain. There is no safety or security. If someone falls into the pit that has been dug while crossing the road, they might even die. The work was started years ago and is still not complete."

The railway underbridge work on Mysore Road is causing much inconvenience

Vibish Mohan, another resident, said, "It is an infrastructural deformity. During monsoons, the condition becomes even worse. The water gets accumulated in the pit that is dug up, making it very dangerous. Small kids use this road, and if they are not careful, a serious accident can take place. There is no safety precaution taken by BBMP to warn people either."

On June 20, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the city. While all the other roads were being fixed before his visit, the authorities had used plastic sheets to cover this stretch.

Manjunath, another resident, said, "We thought now that the PM was visiting the city, work would gain some pace. However, nothing like that happened. Instead of finishing the work fast, they just covered the construction site."

Commuters say that the road is riskier to use when it is dark because there are no streetlights. However, they are left with no other option because this road is the most convenient one for them.

Jithin Ashok, a commuter, said, "The path for walking is extremely narrow. It gets more difficult when we have to use vehicles. At night there are no lights and it is very difficult to see."

A BBMP official said it would take another week or two to get all the arrangements in place and finish the work.

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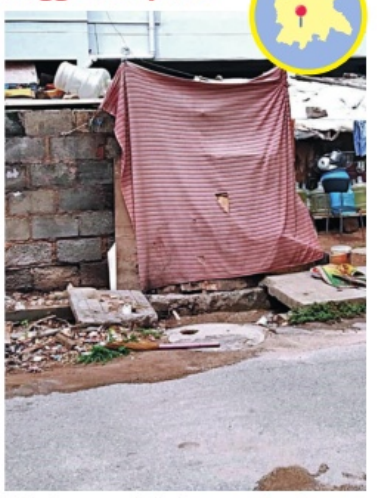

This is one of the houses in the developed 6th C Cross, Patel Extension, Kaggadasapura . Request BBMP to look into this.

Broken footpath alert
Kengeri

There is a broken footpath near Kengeri, Satellite Town Main Road.

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Thanks to Bangalore Mirror this patch has been asphalted in Sahakara Nagar.

Millers Road work leaves citizens smarting

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Footpaths blocked by transformers, uneven crossroads, lack of pedestrian crossing, misplaced dustbins and faulty street lighting – these are only some of the problems that confront the commuters of Millers Road. One of the smart roads built by Bengaluru Smart City Limited (BSCL) is yet to meet commuters' and residents' expectations.

Commuters say, BSCL workers have installed a BESCOM transformer near High Grounds Police Station which has totally compromised the walkability of the footpath.

"We reached out to the officials on multiple occasions about the issue, but there have only been assurances. While the footpath has been extended in front of the transformer, the small gap between the transformer and the compound wall of police quarters has become a place of public nuisancet," said a resident of the area.

The BSCL work on the stretch started in March 2021. While the residents had to put up with the inconvenience for more than a year now, many issues still plague this one-kilometre stretch. Apart from a two to three inches step up for vehicles while entering the 15th Main from Miller Road, the locals also alleged that the stretch has started experiencing water logging issue after the Smart City has completed the work. According to the residents, the stormwater drain has been fitted with two pipes of smaller diameter which is insufficient to remove all the rainwater, leading to water logging.

Transformer on footpath is turning out to be a pretty huge stumbling block to pedestrians

Uneven crossroads and transformer on the footpath

"They initially installed one four-inch diameter pipe to drain out all the rainwater on 15th Main. The second pipe was laid down after we pinpointed that one pipe will not be sufficient. However, the water logging problem has started on the street," said Raj Kumar Dugar, founder C4C.

A flat raised pedestrian crossing near Mahaveer Jain Hospital was removed by BSCL when work on Miller Road started over a year ago. However, it has not been put back, posing a grave danger to pedestrians.

Dog day afternoon at park

As Horticulture Dept mulls over complete ban on pets inside Cubbon park, walkers urge meeting with stakeholders

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Many pet owners were shocked to be told at Cubbon Park's gates that dogs will be barred entry from July 1

Cubbon Park has earned itself a badge for being a dog-friendly place as pet owners travel long distances to allow a space where their dogs can get some exercise. But it seems highly likely that this haven may soon shut its doors to pets as the Department of Horticulture is mulling over a complete ban on pet dogs inside the park.

Those who had come for a morning walk with their pets were caught by surprise on Saturday when the park guards informed them about a ban starting July 1. A security guard that BM spoke to said that the ban will be in effect from July 1 and that the primary reason for the action is that dog owners are not following the rules of the park. But, the ban will affect all pet owners, rule-abiding or not.

HT Balakrishna, Deputy Director (Cubbon Park) of Horticulture Department, told Bangalore Mirror, "In the last meeting with Principal Secretary, Cubbon Park walkers' association and other walkers have written to the department to ban dogs inside the park and follow rules just like Lal Bagh Botanical Garden. The move comes as dog owners are not leashing their pets or removing poop. Dogs run around, disturbing other walkers as well. The decision on imposing the ban will be taken in a week."

When asked about whether it will be a blanket ban, Balakrishna said that if the ban is imposed it will be for all dogs. "Guards will have to stop the dog-owners at the gates itself. Some pet-owners put them the dogs on a leash while crossing the gate, but then let them free after entering," he added.

The proposed move has been roundly slammed by pet-owners.

"For the past two days, guards have been telling us not to bring our pets from July 1. By banning dogs inside Cubbon Park, what kind of image we are creating about Bengaluru? Instead of imposing this ban, they should ask pet owners to come in specific slots. The Horticulture Department should look into the slew of other problems like open urination and alchol consumption instead of making a big deal out of the dog issue," said a regular walker.

She added that if every area had some green space in their neighbourhoods, they would not have to flock to Cubbon Park to exercise their dogs.

Founder of CJ Memorial Trust and a dog-lover, Priya Chetty Rajagopal, said that so far it was only a verbal communication. There's been no official communication regarding this, she said. She said the trust would write to the secretary of Horticulture and the Deputy Director to request a better understanding and a stakeholder meeting to discuss, address and resolve this issue. "In addition, while we do realise that a few irresponsible pet parents who choose not to leash the dogs or pick up poop need to be addressed, the majority of responsible and civic-minded pet parents should not have to suffer for the sins of a few. The parkies (or street dogs in the park) are safe as all are neutered, vaccinated and fed. As per Supreme Court orders, no street dogs can be relocated anyway," she said.

The Cubbon Park Canines wrote to the Secretary of Horticulture Department RK Kataria asking him to hold a stakeholder meeting to address the issue and impose fines on violators.

As of now, the dog park is the only space for dogs to roam unleashed.

> **"The move comes as dog owners are not leashing pets or removing poop. The decision on imposing the ban will be taken in a week** –HT Balakrishna, Horticulture Dept

Animal activist Arun Prasad said that a blanket ban was not possible. "Technically the dog ban cannot be imposed. As per a Delhi High Court writ petition in 2014, there cannot be a ban on dogs in parks but a few regulations were imposed for dog-walkers. It was contended that apartment owners cannot find sufficient space for dogs to exercise, and hence must be permitted in all parks. The guidelines issued by the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) were based on this writ petition. The AWBI directions are mandatory and binding on all authorities for parks in India. There is also a contention that dogs are not permitted in Lal Bagh but dogs should be permitted in all parks."

Hope for 10 traffic bottlenecks

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Saturday instructed officials to take measures to reduce traffic congestion at 10 prominent spots in Bengaluru city.

Some spots witnessing huge traffic jams include Hebbal, Mahadevapura Outer Ring Road, Silk Board Junction and Whitefield Road.

Spots witnessing heavy jams such as Hebbal, ORR, Silk Board Jn, Whitefiled Road will be on the radar at first

The measures would include synchronisation of traffic signals and removing the obstacles for smooth flow of traffic.

The work would be supervised by the DCPs of the concerned area.

The Chief Minister chaired a meeting on the Traffic Management in Bengaluru with officials of BBMP, BWSSB, Urban Development, Police and other departments.

According to the Chief Minister's Office, the Chief Minister wanted the officials of BBMP, BWSSB, BMRCL and BESCOM to work in coordination under the overall supervision of Additional Chief Secretaries of Urban Development and Home departments to formulate measures for easing traffic congestion in the city.

He issued strict orders for filling the potholes on roads connecting the National Highways and taking up immediate repair works at about 50 spots which witness flooding whenever it rains.

Bommai asked the officials to start the work on signal synchronisation in CBD, high traffic density corridors in the city. The problem caused by frequent digging of roads by various civic agencies like BWSSB, BMRCL, and leaving the debris without covering the dug-up roads also came up for discussion. **ANI**

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This was clicked at Coorg. It is a rare Double Hibiscus and comes in many colours.

The picture was clicked by BM reader **Somasunder KS**

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DID YOU KNOW?

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral is the cathedral of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Bangalore. When the diocese of Mysore was bifurcated on 13 February 1940 to form the diocese of Bangalore, St Francis Xavier's church was chosen as its cathedral.
The first church of St Francis Xavier was constructed in 1851 by French missionaries of the Paris Foreign Missions Society. Due to the huge increase in the Catholic population, this church eventually became inadequate. Hence in 1911, the foundation stone was laid for a new church. This church was inaugurated on 26 May 1932, which would become a cathedral in 1940.
The cathedral's large compound has three schools: St Aloysius', St Anthony's and St Rock's. There is also a shrine dedicated to St Anthony. (Wikipedia)

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Let's see how much you know about Namma Bengaluru, folks. Tell us something incredible and mind-boggling about this beautiful city and our editors and researchers will check it out. If it's credible, we'll give it a shout-out, with your name and picture.

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where Bengalureans speak their mind

Which is your favourite season in Bengaluru and why?

Aneeta Agarwal, Homemaker
Bengaluru provides the experience of many seasons in one day. But my most favourite season is monsoon as it is the perfect time to enjoy the cold breeze and a cup of tea.

Sachidevi Kadabi, Homemaker
Being someone born and brought up in Bengaluru, I love monsoon because it's a combination of all kinds of weather. It's cloudy, sunny, windy, cold, and from my place, I can see a lot of greenery which makes me happy.

Supriya Rajnish, Student
I enjoy winter the most, as the weather is really pleasant in Bengaluru and with the rain, one can enjoy it with hot pakoras and chai.

Deepa Devaney
Senior Marketing Manager
I love the rainy season. The funny part is that someone in Koramangala wouldn't have felt a drop but someone else would have gotten drenched while strolling down Brigade Road.

Zaheera Anees, BM Reader
My favourite time in Bengaluru is during September and October; during these two months, the climate is perfect. It is not too hot and not too cold. We can enjoy the beauty of our city very well.

KL Subramanyam, BM Reader
My favourite season in Bengaluru is winter between November and February. The minimum temperature would be around 10 degrees or less and the maximum would be 28 or 29 degrees.

SPEAK TO US

Which is your favourite shopping destination(s) in the city and why?
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Tarred, filled, peeled off

Tar peeling off freshly paved service road in Marathahalli; residents question Palike's work

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With spells of rain, asphalted roads cave in, complain citizens

For most Bengalureans, road-paving work done by the civic authorities is always a matter of concern. Recently, the shoddy work by BBMP was exposed after part of Jnanabharathi Main Road, asphalted at a cost of Rs 6.05 crore before PM Modi's recent visit caved in within less than 24 hours, causing major embarrassment to the BBMP. While Bommai has ordered a probe into the matter, it is not an isolated incident.

Recently, a BM reader highlighted the poor quality of asphalt work done on the service road next to the Marathahalli flyover where the tar has started to come off the newly paved road.

Sachin S, a resident of the area, said, "They laid the road not more than two weeks ago after BWSSB laid pipes. But they did not do a very good job because the tar started to peel off as soon as the rains started a few days ago. Even the manholes were left slightly elevated. They use poor quality material while asphalting the roads. There is also no quality check in place."

Sachin added that it is difficult to raise a complaint about the issue as there are no centralised apps.

Another resident, who has faced a similar problem recently, told Bangalore Mirror, "We had been waiting for so long for the road in front of our house to be asphalted. But only four - five days after the road was asphalted, the tar started to peel off."

Professor MN Sreehari, the Karnataka Government's Traffic Adviser and Transport Infrastructure Consultant, explained some of the reasons behind this.

"Generally, this happens if the percentage of asphalt or tar is not correct. Ideally, there should be 5.5 per cent of bitumen (tar) in the total aggregate. If the percentage is lower, the bitumen starts to separate. Another reason could be that the aggregate used to lay the road was not heated properly. It needs to be heated at 165° C, otherwise it starts to come out of the already-constructed road. Without proper heating, compaction and mixture of the aggregate, it will continue to happen."

THE SUNDAY READ

It's a new day, it's a new dawn...

From being scared, bullied, homeless and alone, Sana Suman has come a long way to live the life she wants. Here's her story

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Things are slowly looking up for 30-year-old Sana Suman these days. Recently appointed as a drafting member of the Karnataka Transgender Survey Committee, Sana wakes up each day with new enthusiasm to do good for her community. The city's roads are welcoming to her.

This was not always the case. Fifteen years ago, the same roads seemed hostile. She was 16, lonely and homeless. She was tossed out of her home when she came out to her parents as a woman. "I always knew I was a woman. They could not accept it. They thought I had some mental illness," she said.

Blotched childhood

Childhood was a nightmare for Sana. "I was a woman in a man's body. I wanted to be a woman, and for that I was bullied and harassed," she said.

She was Suman M, a boy, back then. The name Sana was given to her by her community.

When she started revealing the femininity in her, she faced backlash from everyone around her. Her friends in school bullied her, parents took her to doctors, priests and whatnots. "My parents used to physically abuse me, beat me up saying 'behave like a boy'. They took me to these diagnostic centres, temples and astrologers."

As far as her parents were concerned, there was something wrong with her and she needed to be cured. "They thought a ghost of a woman had possessed me and so they took me to priests. They would make me eat lemon and ask me to walk on hot coal. It was horrible," she told Bangalore Mirror.

In search of a lost identity

When Sana was 12 she was convinced that something was wrong with her. She took her teachers and parents' advice and went to counselling. This confused her further. "I always wondered, what is wrong with me? For a child, whatever parents and teachers say is set in stone, so I started to believe there was something wrong with me," Sana said.

Finding oneself is a long process and Sana had no help doing that. She said, "I went to NIMHANS for treatment among other places. I was labelled to be a mentally disturbed person."

Giving in to the pressure, Sana resorted to pretence but that did not work.

"I pretended to be a boy, I tried really hard but I could not. My real identity always came to the fore," she added.

When nothing worked, Sana's parents decided to keep her locked up. "They kept me in house arrest for seven months. I was an embarrassment to them," she said.

A tale of survival

At the age of 16, Sana left home. "I think they were also relieved to see me leave," she said.

While Bengaluru is known as a welcoming city, for Sana the experience was tainted. "It was midnight, I had no place to go and I was starving. I was scared and alone. I was sitting in a park, it was very dark. A man came over and said, 'I will give you Rs 50 if you let me touch you'." An empty stomach made her give in. "That was my first earning, no matter how."

For a few nights after that Sana looked for people like that man. Soon she was noticed by the transgender community and they took her in. "They gave me sari and bangles, it was the first time I wore a woman's attire. It was the happiest day of my life," she said.

The struggle though, had only just begun. "My older brother saw me at a signal once, all decked up like a woman and he attacked me. The people of the community asked me to go to Pune so that I could stay away from my family and be safe," she said.

Pune was a bigger nightmare for her, as she was sent to a brothel. "I didn't know what to do. I gave in then. By then I had undergone a SRS (sex reassignment surgery)," she said.

With the help of a friend she made at the brothel, she was successful in escaping. "He called himself my lover," she said. There she was at midnight again, in a strange city with no money.

But she was successful in leaving Pune and coming back to Bengaluru.

Struggle for a better future

"That was it for me, I knew I had to take steps to help myself," she said. For Sana, it was now her against the world. Since she had no certified education, she continued with sex work. In the meanwhile, she also joined an NGO which worked for HIV prevention. They paid her Rs 3,000 a month.

That's when her journey started. She used the money earned from sex work to fund her education. In 2014, after the NALSA judgement that recognised the 'third gender' she got admitted into St. Joseph's college as a journalism student.

Sana was one of the petitioners for repealing IPC section 377. She then became the drafting member for Karnataka Trangender Bill. She also has begun an NGO 'Swatantra' that works for transgenders' right to education.

As of now, Sana is running to different government offices for a census of transgenders. She said, "Good news is that the Women and Child department is going to do a census of transgenders in Bengaluru soon. Since there is no proper count, formulation of policies is difficult." Sana looks to the future with hope. She says she can see a difference in the approach of society already. People have become more inclusive, she says. "Anyone who is struggling like I struggled, let me tell you there is help and you can reach out to us," she said.

> **"Anyone who is struggling like I struggled, let me tell you there is help and you can reach out to us**
> –Sana Suman, Transgender activist

Chosen ones

SM Krishna, Narayana Murthy, Prakash Padukone picked for Kempegowda award

Narayana Murthy

SM Krishna

Prakash Padukone

Former Karnataka chief minister SM Krishna, Infosys founder and IT industry veteran NR Narayana Murthy, and former badminton player Prakash Padukone, have been selected for the 'Kempegowda International Award', which has been instituted beginning this year.

Karnataka Higher Education Minister CN Ashwath Narayan, who is also the Vice-President of Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Heritage Area Development Authority, made an announcement to this effect on Saturday.

He said Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will present the awards to recipients during the grand celebration on the 513th birth anniversary of Kempegowda, the architect of Bengaluru city, on June 27 at Vidhana Soudha.

The minister said all the three achievers have contributed in their own unique way for the development of Bengaluru and the fame it has garnered.

The award carries a cash prize of Rs 5 lakh along with a plaque.

Narayan met Krishna at his residence today on behalf of the government and informed him about the award being bestowed upon him.

Expressing his happiness for being selected for the award, Krishna said he would be glad to accept it, the minister's office said in a statement.

A high-level committee headed by the state's Startup Vision Group Chairman Prashanth Prakash has made this selection.

IT industry veteran Mohandas Pai, R Balasubrahmanyam-Founder of Vivekananda Youth Movement, and retired IAS officer M K Shankaralinge Gowda were members of the committee. R Vinayadeep, Commissioner of the Authority, is the member secretary of the committee. —PTI

A 25-cr infrastructure makeover for Mysuru

District administration says they spent Rs 10 crore just to asphalt roads and upgrade civic facilities

Medians were put on roads before the PM's visit; (inset) steel wire fences put up

After BBMP claimed that it had spent Rs 23 crore to asphalt roads in the city to welcome PM Modi, the Mysuru district administration said that they spent Rs 25 crore on preparing the heritage city for PM Modi's visit.

Of the Rs 25 crore, Rs 10 crore was spent by Mysuru City Corporation for asphalting roads and upgrading other infrastructure facilities. The remaining Rs 15 crore was spent on the yoga program at the palace's grounds, programmes at Maharaja College, a visit to Chamundi Hills, and for the hotel stay of the Prime Minister.

The district's in-charge minister ST Somashekhar said, "Every constituency is allotted Rs 50 crore for development work. Due to the Prime Minister's visit, Bengaluru and Mysuru were taken as priorities for such work. The remaining work will be starting soon."

However, he claimed that Mysuru's roads were not developed for the Prime Minister's visit, but prior to that, the Chief Minister had released Rs 50 crore funds to every constituency. The constituency headed by legislator Ramadas was given Rs 100 crore in funds. The Prime Minister said that he wanted to visit Karnataka very often, he said.

Somashekar also claimed that the programme held at Mysuru palace grounds was a memorable one. "This programme was very successful. I thank all the yoga enthusiasts, officials, leaders, media, and those who contributed to the success of the programme. The corporation officials worked relentlessly to keep the city clean, police for providing security and the Ayush Department also worked well to make the programme a success."

Steel wire fence for elephants

The Forest Department has been trying every trick to keep the pachyderms at bay with little success. Earlier, the department was trying N experiment of electrical fencing. Then, railway tracks were barricaded.

Now, for the first time in the state, a wire rope barricade has been installed in Nagarahole National Park. The elephants started crossing the Railway barricade fence which was installed earlier. To avoid them crossing over the fence, a steel wire rope has been put up near Veerana Hosahalli.

"Due to the lack of availability of railway barricades and also because they are expensive, these rope barriers were installed as an experiment. These barricades are connected to 13-feet-long and 1.5-tonne-heavy cement blocks. Earlier railway barricades, and solar-powered barricades were installed but were not effective in controlling elephant movements," said officials.

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68 Suvidha Cabins constructed so far

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room, a first-aid kit, drinking water facility and a phone charging station.

"As of now, 68 Suvidha Cabins have been completed. In areas with government infrastructure, Suvidha Cabins will not be installed. They can use the existing facilities. One cabin will cater to two-three wards. Within 3-4 months, the remaining cabins will be completed," BBMP's solid waste management joint commissioner told BM.

According to BBMP officials, the cabins will be regularly maintained by the contractor.

However, the official clarified that there was no delay and work was in progress.

BBMP is planning to conduct a survey of all the facilities available in its limits and accordingly will take a decision on whether to increase the number of Suvidha Cabins from the proposed 221 units.

However, pourakarmikaras say they are unaware of the existence of these cabins.

"There is not enough information about the exact location of these cabins and pourakarmikas do not know about their existence," said Nirmala M, President, BBMP Pourakarmikara Sanghatane.

'Whistleblower' served demolition notice

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Basavarajan applied to Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company (Bescom) to transfer two electrical meters to his name from his father's on April 10, 2007, by paying the specified fees. Bescom promptly transferred two electrical meters to Basavarajan's name.

With Whitefield, which was under Mahadevapura City Council, coming under Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's (BBMP's) jurisdiction in 2007, Basavarajan began paying property tax to the BBMP from 2009.

He paid Rs 5,866 to the BBMP as property tax on March 23, 2009. As per the documents available with Bangalore Mirror, it is clear that the building was constructed much before the BBMP came into existence. Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BMP) became Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) in 2007.

The construction of a high-rise building by Basavarajan's neighbour Ashok Reddy began six months ago. Basavarajan informed the BBMP engineers, including the BBMP chief commissioner, about the violation of building by-laws by Reddy.

"Instead of taking action against Ashok Reddy for constructing the high-rise building in violation of building by-laws, the BBMP executive engineer at the Mahadevapura division issued a notice to demolish my building. The BBMP engineers kept quiet all these days and served demolition notices to me and Ashok Reddy. The BBMP engineers did not take measures to stop construction of the high-rise building for the last six months. I have not violated the building by-law. I am surprised and amused to receive the order to demolish my building that was constructed more than 15 years ago," said Basavarajan.

PM Basavarajan's building

The demolition order was issued on June 14, 2022. The executive engineer, assistant executive engineer and assistant engineer have estimated the cost at Rs 4,86,000 to demolish Basavarajan's building (site No. 214, khata No. 293/269/56/2).

When enquired why the BBMP engineers took more than 15 years to come across the alleged violation of building by-laws by Basavarajan, they refused to give a straight answer.

BBMP Mahadevapura assistant engineer Basavaraj Tekkalaki said that he joined Mahadevapura division a year ago. "You come to our office to verify the documents. You can talk to my seniors at the office," said Tekkalaki.

However, Chandra Mohan, assistant executive engineer, was not available for comment.

BBMP executive engineer Muni Reddy said notices were issued to Basavarajan as well as Ashok Reddy for violating building by-laws. "We have issued demolition notices as per the norms. They complained against each other violating the building by-laws," he said.

Meanwhile, Ashok Reddy said that he availed the plan from the BBMP to construct the building. "I did not violate the norms," he said.

Though it has been more than 10 days after the BBMP executive engineer ordered the demolition of two buildings, and Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board and Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company (Bescom) were advised to cut off water supply and electricity, the construction of the high-rise building is in progress.

"I have not received any notice from the BBMP," said Ashok Reddy.

Is the BBMP seriously following the Karnataka High Court's directive on buildings being constructed in violation of building by-laws? We have to wait and see.

The Karnataka High Court, on December 8, 2021, while granting the BBMP three months time to follow up on its action plan on illegal buildings, had stated the action taken by the civic body against unauthorised constructions should be seen on the ground and not remain just on paper.

Cotton is dear to us, and dearer too

Are your go-to garments cotton ones? If so, we bring disappointing news

Price of cotton garments is like to go up further

The price of cotton garments has increased by a range of 20 to 40 per cent. Traders say that the garments may become more expensive in the future as many of the manufacturers have stopped production for want of raw materials.

With cotton becoming less pocket friendly, the demand for it has also fallen tremendously. The recent trends in the cotton market have affected textile merchants all over the country.

Speaking to Bangalore Mirror, Sajjan Raj Mehta (Ex-President of Karnataka Hosiery and Garment Association), said, "Almost every reputable garment company has raised the MRP of cotton fabrics and garments by 20 to 40 per cent. Once the prices go up, it is very rare for them to come down. While the increase in prices has affected the textile industry everywhere, Tiruppur in Tamil Nadu is among the worst hit areas".

The current situation in the market can be attributed to multiple factors. Firstly, crop failure is a major cause of the price fluctuation. The tension between India and China, the latter being one of the largest importers of cotton from India, has affected their trade relations. Moreover, the Russia-Ukraine war has caused a downfall in many markets, including in the textile market. Finally, the increase in fuel prices has made transportation more expensive.

Praveen Bafna, a Bengaluru-based garment manufacturer, said, "Price is a very big factor when it comes to selling products in the Indian market. An increase in price reduces the ticket size of the garments. A customer who would earlier buy two cotton shirts is now able to afford only one as the ticket size has reduced. Naturally, the demand and consumption have come down".

Manoj Mehta, a saree dealer from the city, said, "The demand for sarees has already come down in the past few years. The increase in cotton prices has further reduced this demand. The margins have also fallen as a result of this."

Poly cotton, which is a combination of cotton and synthetic polyester, has seen a hike in demand as this blended fabric is cheaper than pure cotton.

"Almost 50 per cent of the people in the textile business have shifted to poly cotton," said Bafna.

A textile merchant based in Bengaluru believes that despite being cheaper, poly cotton or PC, as it is popularly known, is not the same as pure cotton.

"The demand for cotton textiles has definitely fallen down. However, those who are used to wearing cotton garments are forced to buy it despite the high price. It is difficult for them to adjust to PC garments. Additionally, many religious practices and traditions demand the use of cotton fabrics and garments," he said.

Many traders have expressed their disapproval of the government's plan to raise the GST rates on textiles from 5 per cent to 12 per cent.

"We have already suffered huge losses in the past two years due to the pandemic. That is why KHAGA had written to the Prime Minister, requesting the government to reconsider the hike," said Sajjan Raj Mehta.

The government has currently deferred its decision to hike the GST rates on textiles.

-Ishika Mittal

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I, SRIPAD PARAMESHWAR HEGDE, S/o, Parameshwar Hegde residing at No.205, Siri Chowdeshwari Enclave, 48th Cross, P P Nagar, Uttarahalli, Bangalore 560061 have changed my name to SHRIPAD HEGDE vide affidavit dated 25.06.2022 sworn before notary B V Nagabhushana, Bangalore.

I, Ashok Kumar Thirunarayana R/o Sr204, Canopy Crest Irs, Kogilu Main Road, Maruthi Nagar, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 64 have changed my minor son's name from Sanjay Ashok Kumar Mohana Priya / Sanjay A M / A.M.Sanjay to Sanjay Ashok Mohana for all purposes.

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I Nisamani Malik son of Hav AK Mallik R/O Sadabartta Naugan, Sadabartanuagan, Ganjam, Odisha, 761104 have changed my name from Nisha Mallik to Nisamani Malik vide affidavit dated 22 June 2022 before Notary public, Bungaluru.

I, Nishanth Rajakumar S/o Rajkumar P H R/o Flat.207. 2nd floor, Vaastu Residency, 32/2B, 7th main, Yelachenahalli, Bengaluru 560078 have changed my name to NISHANT RAJKUMAR, affidavit Dt.25/06/2022 notary R.Vishwanath, Bluru

I, Manjula Devi Kota Gopal W/o Khadar Khan R/o No.20, Lakshmi Nilaya, Gangothri Enclave, Virgonagar, Maragondanahalli, Bengaluru 560036 have changed my name to AYESHA KHADAR KHAN affidavit Dt.25/06/2022 notary K.V Mani, B'luru

I, Gangadhara s/o Narayana Billava R/o No.01, 1st main 1st cross, 1st floor Chikkaswamy Lyt Bengaluru 560078 have changed my name to GANGADHARA NARAYANA HALAHALIVE affidavit Dt. 25/06/2022 before notary K.V Mani Bluru

I Praveen Dohe S/o Sudarshan Vitthalrao Dohe R/o Flat 301, B-Block Annapoorna The Coach Villaments, Neeladri Road, Ecity- Phs 1 Bangalore-560100 have changed my name to Praveen Sudarshan Dohe for all purposes.

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'Step out of the office, stay in forests'

CM asks forest department officials to stay in the forests for 15 days a month

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, on Saturday, instructed the Forest Department officials from the rank of Principal Secretary to District Forest Officers to move out of their offices and stay in forests for 15 days in a month.

Bommai was speaking at a function to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of Karnataka State Forest Development Corporation Limited.

"Senior officials are rooted in Bengaluru. You are not coming out of your offices. Go to the forests, stay there for 15 days in a month. It will boost the morale of other personnel of the department. It will send the message that the senior officials are engaged in protecting the forests," Bommai instructed.

Try to raise the forest cover to 30% in 5 years

Bommai urged the officials to work more vigorously to improve the forest cover in the state from the present 23% to atleast 30% over the next 5 years. He advocated the need for change in objectives of the Forest Development Corporation. There is no need to focus on profit making, the focus should be more on extending forest cover. "We need not grow Eucalyptus for paper manufacturing. Stop planting Eucalyptus and Acacia trees which are not conducive for our ecological balance. Think about planting alternative species of plants and trees," he said.

Ecological budget

For the first time in the country the state budget this year has an exclusive Ecological Budget segment which seeks to offset the ecological damage. About Rs100 cr has been allocated for the Ecological Budget or the Green Budget to take up initiatives that would offset the ecological damage on an annual basis. Ecological balance could be maintained if the initiative is sustained for the years ahead. The State government is ready to grant an additional Rs 100 crore if the allocated Rs 100 cr is utilised effectively, Bommai said.

Vision for forest conservation

Stressing onthe importance of preserving the biodiversity in Western Ghats and increasing the green cover in the state, Bommai instructed the officials to prepare a Vision Document on Forest Development for the next 50 years.

Land to Saalumarada Thimmakka

Nature lovers are appreciating the Karnataka government's move to allot Bengaluru Development Authority (BDA) site for Saalumarada Thimmakka, a notable environmentalist from the state.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who granted a BDA site for Saaluamrada Thimmakka, formally handed over the sale deed on Saturday.

The Chief Minister presented the BDA site allotment and sale deed documents to Thimmakka, who called on the Chief Minister at his Race Course Road residence with her foster son. Thimmakka has been granted a 50X80 feet site in Sector J, 7th Block in Nadaprabhu Kempegowda layout. **— BMB**

A tiger rests on the fringes of the Bandipur forest

HEALTH TIP: Walnuts are a great source of fibre and micronutrients like magnesium, copper, and manganese

Strawberries, blueberries, blackberries and raspberries are jam-packed with important nutrients that play a central role in heart health

Prep Time: 30 mins
Cooking Time: 20-30 mins
Serves 4

A BITE OF HEALTH

These super-nutritious recipes are easy to whip up and are the perfect way to stay fit, daily

MANGALOREAN CHICKEN SKEWERS WITH BARLEY CURD RICE

INGREDIENTS

- Chicken leg boneless: 500 grams
- Ginger garlic paste: 50 grams
- Salt: 10 grams
- Red chilli powder: 50 grams
- Chilli paste: 20 ml

Mangalorean Sauce (recipe below)

- Curry leaves, chopped: 20 grams
- Lemon juice: to taste
- Mangalorean Sauce
- Whole red chilli: 90 grams
- Ginger: 10 grams
- Garlic: 12 grams
- Pepper corns: 1tsp
- Cumin seeds: 1tsp
- Fennel seeds: 1tsp
- Tamarind: 8-10 grams
- Turmeric: 1tsp
- Hung curd for garnish: 50 grams
- Vegetable oil: 10 ml
- Pearl barley: 200 grams
- Hung curd: 500 grams
- Salt: to taste

Tempering/Tadka

- Mustard seeds: 10 grams
- Cumin Seeds: 10 gams
- Split black grams: 5grams
- Ginger chopped: 5grams
- Dry Red Chillies: 1 whole
- Ghee: 1 tbsp

Garnish

- Pomegranate seeds: 5 grams

METHOD

For Mangalorean Skewers

- Marinate the chicken with ginger garlic paste, red Chilli paste, lime juice, curry leaves and Mangalorean sauce. Rest it in the refrigerator for 30-35 mins so that it absorbs all the flavors. Lime juice in the marination makes the meat tender.

For Mangalorean Sauce

- Soak the dry red chillies overnight so that it becomes easy while grinding it. Add the soaked chillies in the grinder along with ginger, garlic, pepper corns, fennel seeds, cumin seeds, tamarind and turmeric. Grind it to a fine paste without any lumps.
- Insert the chicken into the skewers. Grill the skewers on medium heat. Apply butter/ vegetable oil to keep the meat moist.

Garnish

- Use coriander and mint chutney along skewers

Barley Curd Rice

- Cook the barley in well-seasoned salt water. (This dish requires the barley to be little bit mushy. Soak the barley overnight for better results). Strain the water. Use the strained water to adjust the thickness of the curd rice.
- Take yoghurt in a large bowl and gently whisk it to break lumps. Add the cooled barley into the yoghurt along with the barley water (In required quantity) and mix well.
- Adjust the seasoning.

Tempering

- Take a pan, add little ghee to it. When the pan is heated to enough temperature add the Chopped: ginger. Let the ginger fry well.
- Add mustard seeds and cumin seeds to hot ghee so it splutters immediately.
- Add urad dal/Split black gram and fry them on low heat.
- Once they are golden brown add dried curry leaves along with the dry red chillies.
- Pour the contents of the pan over barley curd and mix well.
- Serve it after it is cooled.

Recipe by Santosh Nampelli, Sous Chef, Courtyard By Marriott ORR Bengaluru

BAJRA KACHUMBER SALAD

INGREDIENTS

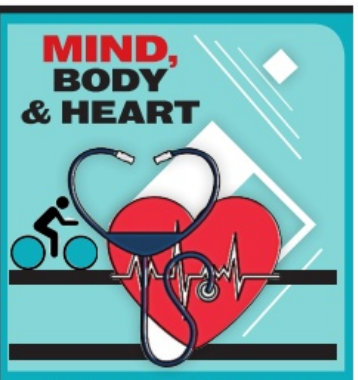
- Bajra cooked: 500 grams
- Onion diced: 50 grams
- Tomato diced: 50 grams
- Cucumber seedless diced: 50 grams
- Green chilli chopped: 20 ml
- Fresh coriander chopped: 20 grams
- Salt: To taste
- Roasted cumin powder: 5 grams
- Lemon juice: 10 ml
- Pomegranate seeds: 20 grams
- Radish chopped: 20 grams
- Hung curd for garnish: 50 grams
- Olive oil: 10 ml

Prep Time: 20 mins
Cooking Time: 20-30 mins
Serves 4

METHOD

- Take a mixing bowl. Add cooked bajra, diced cucumber, onion, tomato, Chopped: green chili, coriander leaves, radish, olive oil and lemon juice. Mix together all these ingredients
- Take a plate and arrange it nicely
- Garnish with hung curd, pomegranate seeds and lemon wedge.

Recipe by Govind Raju, DCDP, Courtyard By Marriott ORR Bengaluru



All problems solved

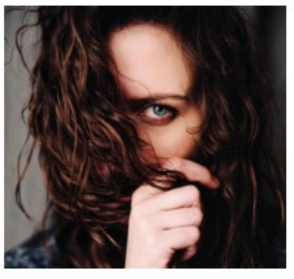
Dear Coleen

I am a woman in my 30s, I have been married for six years and I have a four-year-old child with my husband.
My problem is that recently I've noticed I'm very attracted to other men I see when I'm out.
I catch myself looking at other blokes a lot and now I'm starting to panic that there's something wrong with my marriage.
I don't know whether I should admit this to my husband or not.
I've always felt happy that we have a good relationship and I love him, but it doesn't stop me from checking what else is out there.
Please advise.

COLEEN SAYS

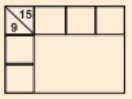
I think it's completely natural to look at people you find attractive, whether you're in a relationship or not.
However, if it becomes really obvious to your husband that you're doing it, then that's not good because naturally he'll start to feel insecure about the relationship.
I don't think you have to tell him.
Just be honest with yourself about how you are really feeling about the marriage.
I know you love your husband, but have things become a bit mundane and could your sex life do with a shake up?
If you are feeling bored, then now's the time to do something about it.
Look at how you can make your relationship with your husband more exciting rather than looking outside of the marriage for thrills.
When you've been together a while, it takes more effort to keep things fun and interesting.

—Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror

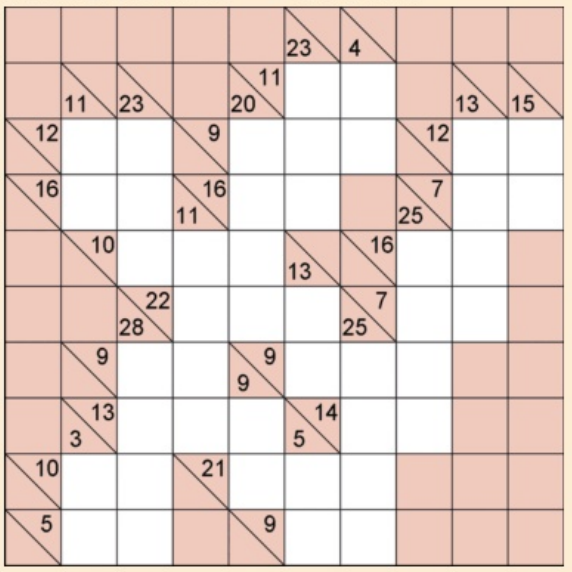


Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.



Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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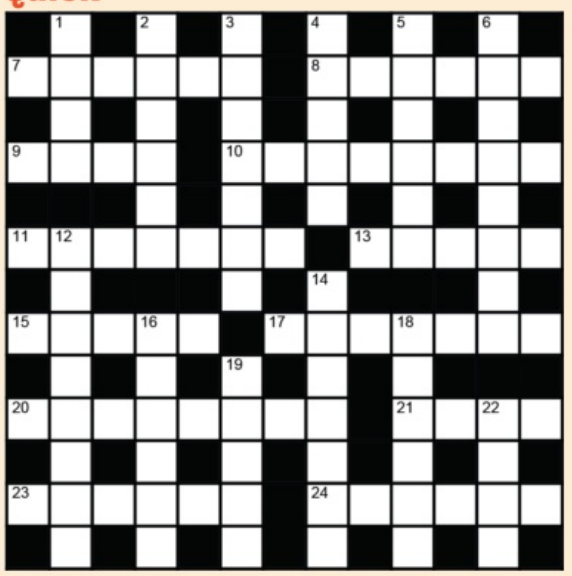


ACROSS

7 Alternative (6)
8 Something that isn't a necessity (6)
9 Strong red wine (4)
10 Broken-egg dish (8)
11 Suffer in the heat (7)
13 Useful quality (5)
15 Alliance (5)
17 Least fresh (7)
20 Limit or confine (8)
21 Asian language (4)
23 Show off (6)
24 Ni is its chemical symbol (6)

DOWN

1 As far as (2,2)
2 Part of door-frame (6)
3 Irked or pestered (7)
4 Narrow street (5)
5 Surplus (6)
6 Pig's feet, especially when cooked (8)
12 Amusement park on the Bangalore-Mysore highway (8)
14 Avowing or averring (7)
16 Production (6)
18 Set in motion (6)
19 Food plans (5)
22 Song for two (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: V EQUALS H

VZ FVQF LHKNS NMCZ MG OZQWZ QGS QF ZQIZ BKIF GHF IOZQT QNN VZ TGHLI HA QNN VZ IZZI.

Linemaro

How do you like your egg in morning?

Mindchow

Real generosity is doing something nice for someone who will never find out

Joke of the day

The local shop ran our of milk. Fortunately, my elderly neighbour Doreen has plenty stacked up on her doorstep

Loop

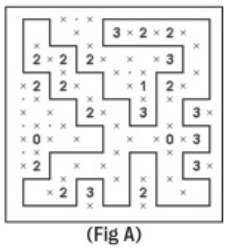
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

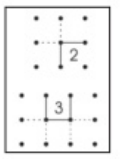
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

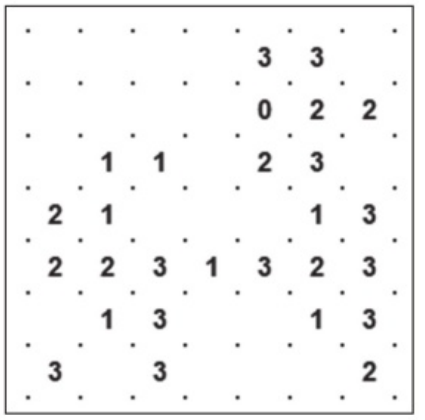
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



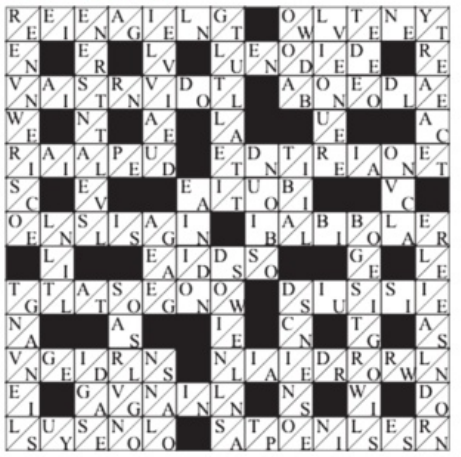
(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed



Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...

1	2	3	4	5
6				
7				
8		I		
9				

ACROSS

1 Sprat; 6 On hep;
7 Sly Ed; 8 Mien I;
9 Stint

DOWN

1 Spilt; 2 I myth;
3 Irons; 4 An net;
5 Speed

Mensapuzzle

What are A, B and C?

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3 A 6
C 4 B
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B 2 B A
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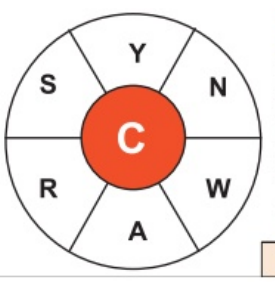


Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

04 Average; **05** Good; **06** Outstanding

SudokuChallenge

			5		8		6	
	1	3	7					4
6				4			8	1
					2			8
	9	7				1	2	
5			9					
4	2			5				7
7					4	9	1	
	3		6		7			

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

Easy = 6

1 2 4 5

Medium = 5

4 6 7 8

Hard = 17

2 5 6 4

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

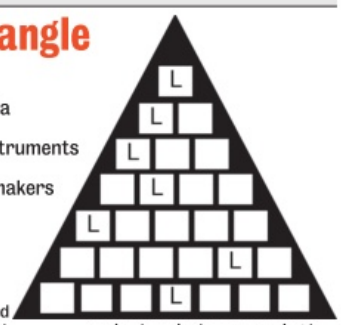
Differences: 1. There are fewer windowpanes in front window. 2. Tie is moved. 3. Window in door is larger. 4. Bush is smaller. 5. Mouth is open. 6. Roof is larger.

Riddler

Which part of your body disappears when you stand up

Alpha triangle

1 XXV + XXV
2 French article
3 Money of Rumania
4 Pivot on point
5 Troubadours' instruments
6 Outcome
7 Fork and spoon makers



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

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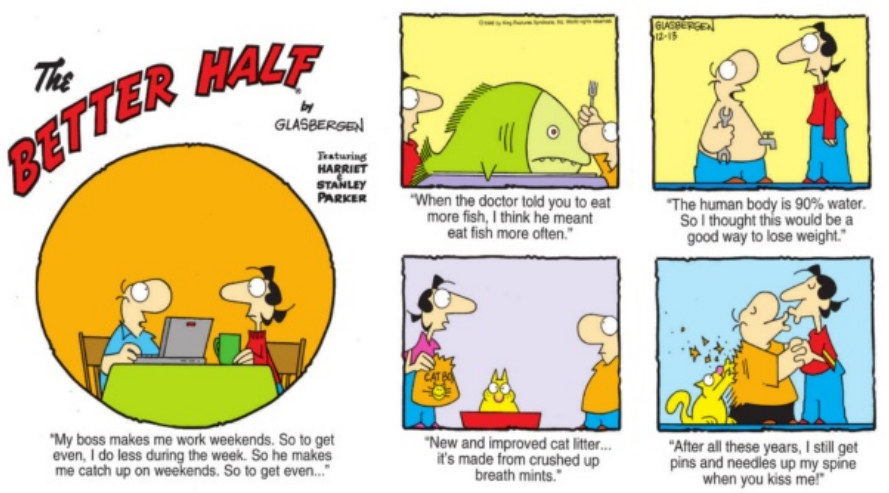
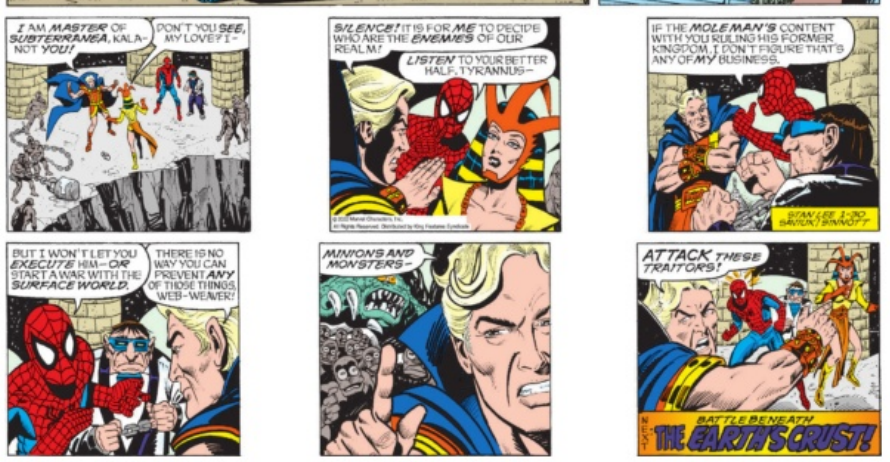

The BETTER HALF
by GLASBERGEN
Featuring HARRIET & STANLEY PARKER
"My boss makes me work weekends. So to get even, I do less during the week. So he makes me catch up on weekends. So to get even..."
"When the doctor told you to eat more fish, I think he meant eat fish more often."
GLASBERGEN 12-15
"The human body is 90% water. So I thought this would be a good way to lose weight."
CAT FOOD
"New and improved cat litter... it's made from crushed up breath mints."
"After all these years, I still get pins and needles up my spine when you kiss me!"

The AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, PETER PARKER HAS GAINED THAT INSECT'S PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH--
STAN LEE
--AND, LIKE HIS NAMESAKE, CAN CLING TO CEILINGS AND WALLS!


I AM MASTER OF SUBTERRANEA, KALA-- NOT YOU!
DON'T YOU SEE, MY LOVE? I--
SILENCE! IT IS FOR ME TO DECIDE WHO ARE THE ENEMIES OF OUR REALM!
LISTEN TO YOUR BETTER HALF, TYRANNUS--
IF THE MOLE MAN'S CONTENT WITH YOU RULING HIS FORMER KINGDOM, I DON'T FIGURE THAT'S ANY OF MY BUSINESS.
STAN LEE S-BO SAVIOR? SINNOT?
BUT I WON'T LET YOU EXECUTE HIM-- OR START A WAR WITH THE SURFACE WORLD!
THERE IS NO WAY YOU CAN PREVENT ANY OF THOSE THINGS, WEB-WEAVER!
MINIONS AND MONSTERS--
ATTACK THESE TRAITORS!
BATTLE BENEATH THE EARTH'S CRUST!

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you are blessed by the moon, which may help you to make right decisions in terms of investments. Your past investments may bring you profits too. You are likely to start working on a new project which will give you benefits in the long term. You could increase your network to improve your social status.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you may feel dull. Some sort of negativity may be noticed around you. It is advised to control your way of speaking as harsh tones can create problems with people. you are likely to deny any suggestion given by your well-wishers, but somehow, by late evening, things might be under control.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
With the moon on your side, you may be able to control unnecessary expenditure today. You are likely to meet someone who gives you advice or some direction, which may help you make better investment calls. You may find yourself being more polite with others and that will increase your respect among people around you.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today is good for you at work. You will perform well and promotions could come knocking. You may be in a winning position in terms of legal matters. Children's health may be better now. You are likely to meet an investment consultant about the future of your children. You may have control over hidden enemies.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
The moon favours you today, and with the help of elders, you should come out of last week's messy situation. With the help of destiny, you may observe some progress in life. Your spiritual power may help you make the right decision. Your financial condition may improve.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you might be a victim of negative thoughts. Impatience and arrogance will push you back from making difficult decisions. You will be in need of blessing from your elders, which will help you to grow into your work front. You should avoid making investments in dead assets. Lovebirds need to avoid discussions regarding bad moments.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
You should expect to hear some good news in terms of your profession. Domestic life may be laced with joy. You are advised to avoid arguments on worthless topics in the family. You can make important decisions about investing in assets. Students may be focused on their studies.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Expect to be busy at work today. Your focus towards your goal is now clear, which may help you complete your tasks before deadlines and with perfection. You may also enjoy happy moments with the family. Singles are likely to find their soulmate. You may plan to renovate your house or office, which may enhance your status.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you are blessed by the moon. Self respect may help you from negative people around you. You are likely to be more emotional in family related issues. You may perform well at work and will complete your task on time, which may boost your confidence. Your inner self may help you make difficult decisions in terms of business growth.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
You may feel negativity around you today, and as a result, you could be prone to arrogance. It is advised to think twice before you act or speak. Investments related to fixed assets are advised to be postponed.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
You may be more confident today. You should enjoy your work. This will speed up your current project. You may be in good health. Your desires may come true. People around you will take help from you to solve their problems, which may increase your prestige in society.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today your moon is negative. You may feel dull and face some health issues, which could affect your daily routine. Some of your known people may betray you, you are advised to keep your eyes open. You may be confused about making any decision. It is advised that you not take any financial calls related to your business. Keep patience and avoid hurrying.

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QUOTE UNCODE
He that would live in peace and at ease must not speak all he knows or all he sees.

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MENSA PUZZLE
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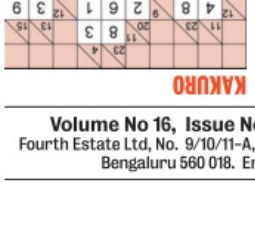

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 # Stop calling me brave!
Hollywood star Sarah Jessica Parker is asking fans to stop viewing her as brave for revealing her grey hair

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She's A Sport

Actresses who would essay sportswomen on screen

Time and again, Bollywood has given its audiences films that allow them to celebrate and get inspired by sports personalities and their biggest accomplishments. Right Mary Kom to Dangal, several films have depicted the inspiring journey and passion of sportswomen in India. Now, ahead of a string of female-led sports films, we have curated a list of actresses who will soon be turning into athletes on the silver screen.

Anushka Sharma

Anushka Sharma is all set to make a comeback in films with 'Chakda Xpress'. She will be seen essaying the role of Indian cricketer Jhulan Goswami. The movie revolves around the highlights of Jhulan's career, from convincing her parents and breaking the stereotypes to her rise as one of the greatest women cricketers India has ever produced. The film is slated to release later in 2022.

Saiyami Kher

Known for her work in 'Breathe: Into The Shadows' , Saiyami Kher will soon be essaying playing a cricketer in R. Balki's 'Ghoomer'.The film also stars Abhishek Bachchan in this film in which he would be essaying the role of her coach. Interestingly, Saiyami has played cricket at the school level for Maharashtra and even made it to the National team selection. So, one can expect her to ace this character of a cricketer.

Taapsee Pannu

Known for bringing a strong change in the portrayal of women with versatile roles, Taapsee Pannu is set to get back on the big screen as 'Mithali Raj', former captain of the Indian women's national cricket team, in 'Shabaash Mithu'. The film will chronicle Mithali Raj's journey who battled against all odds to become one of the greatest female cricketers of India.

Rasika Dugal

Rasika Dugal, whose recent credit includes the second installment of 'Mirzapur', is leading the cast of 'Spike', a Hindi-language sports drama. Helmed by Nishtha Shailajan and Dhaval Shah, the series will see Dugal play a volleyball coach. As part of her preparation for the role, the actress has spent three months of volleyball training in Mumbai. With such a powerhouse of talent on board for the film, we surely have high expectations from this one!

Janhvi Kapoor

Janhvi Kapoor is all set to reunite with Rajkummar Rao for 'Mr & Mrs. Mahi' produced by Karan Johar, and directed by Sharan Sharma. The film revolves around cricket, and the Dhadak actor will be essaying the character of Mahima. While the makers haven't revealed much about the plot of the film, we still know that Mr. And Mrs. Mahi is touted to be a heartwarming story about cricketing aspirations.

'Underworld pressure cost me a few films in the 90s'

Actress Sonali Bendre who recently made her digital debut with 'The Broken News', opened up about how she lost out on roles in the 90s due to underworld pressure.

In an interview with a chat show, Sonali revealed that lost out on roles in the 90s because film directors were under pressure from the underworld and could do nothing about it. The actress added that there was a lot of unregulated finance and banks will not give it to you.

Sonali also went on to say that she tried to keep herself away from 'dodgy' film producers. The actress added that how her boyfriend and now husband, Goldie Behl helped her in recognising which film financier.

The actress stated that there was a time when she was supposed to do a role and it went to someone else because someone called them up. Sonali further added that the director or the co-actor used to call her and say that have that pressure and can't do anything about it. **— ETimes**

Middle-class fantasy tale is quite muddled

THURTHU NIRGAMA
2.5 RATING ★★½☆
- **DIRECTOR** Hemanth Kumar L
- **ACTORS** Sunil Raoh, Samyukta Hegde, Sudha Rani, Achyuth Kumar
- **CERTIFICATION** U/A
- **Duration** 137 minutes

The movie Thurthu Nirgama (meaning Emergency Exit) begins with a few grieving relatives waiting outside a mortuary where dead bodies of their near and dear ones were kept. The bodies of Vikram (Sunil Raoh) and Jeevan (Achyuth Rao) were also lying at the mortuary. While Vikram's parents were in tears outside the mortuary, Vikram's soul is seen pleading with a nurse (Sudha Rani) not to send his body for post-mortem as he does not want to die so soon. Vikram's soul pleads with the nurse to allow him to lead a normal life with his parents as he has many incomplete tasks to complete. The nurse gives him three days to complete all his tasks. He demands more time but she refuses.

At this juncture, the director introduces a cab driver (Raj B Shetty) who wants to commit suicide as he is unable to repay loans availed for his friends. Meanwhile, Vikram tries to reach out to his girlfriend Milli (Hitha Chandrasekhar) but it is too late. He comes closer to Sindhu (Samyukta Hegde), a cricket coach. What happens to him and the cab driver is the climax.

As far as the performance of the artists is concerned, Sunil Raoh, as an intelligent and irresponsible son, has acted well. His performance during the second half, as a concerned son and a brother, deserves a pat on the back. Hitha Chandrasekhar and Samyuktha Hegde have acted well. It is Aruna Balaraj who steals the show with her sterling performance. Nagendra Shah, as a concerned father, has provided good support. Sudha Rani and Achyuth Rao have also acted well. Raj B Shetty as a gullible cab driver, who stood as a surety for some cab drivers to avail loan and as a concerned son and husband, is convincing. The movie conveys the much-needed message to society, especially youth, that committing suicide is not a solution to problems. The movie fails to impress the audience because of its usual format. It has no elements such as stunts, hero and heroine running around the trees or comedy to entertain mass audiences. The scene where Samyukta Hegde falls in love with Sunil Raoh is far from convincing. This movie is a sort of fantasy drama that ends up confusing the audience.

It is worth watching if you have the patience to delve into woes of middle-class families. **—Y Maheswara Reddy**